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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated December 3, 2003 and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please consider the following amendments and remarks that follow.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

Submitted concurrently herewith are: (i) a clean version of the Substitute Specification (Exhibit A); (ii) a marked-up version of the Substitute Specification (Exhibit B); (iii) a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125 (Exhibit C); (iv) a formal drawing of Fig. 2c (Exhibit D); (v) a Terminal Disclaimer with a copy of an Assignment of this application attached (Exhibit E); (vi) a Terminal Disclaimer Fee Sheet submitted in duplicate (Exhibit F); (vii) a Revocation and Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent (Exhibit G); and (viii) a Petition for Extension of Time (Exhibit H).



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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 § 1.125(b), the undersigned states that no new matter has been added to the Substitute Specification in the clean and marked-up version submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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